

## A PROMISING YOUNG MAN.

Meets an Untimely Death—The Social Whirl in Providence—The Close of a Live and Busy Season—News Notes and Personal Mention.

Providence, R. I., Special:—Sunday August 25 was Rally Day at the Wadsworth street A. M. E. Zion church, Rev. J. F. Waters, pastor. A very successful result was realized and much encouragement was received because of the grand display of activity which was exhibited by the comparatively small congregation. In the morning Rev. W. J. Holland, pastor of the People's A. M. E. Zion church delivered a stirring sermon; in the afternoon Rev. Z. Harrison of the 2nd F. B. church ably filled the pulpit and in conjunction with his church choir conducted successful service; at the evening service the little church was well filled with a number of persons who had heard of the arrival of Rev. W. H. Coffey, ex-pastor of the People's church who was advertised to preach at that hour; the audience was not disappointed for Dr. Coffey delivered an eloquent sermon from the text "Lord Jesus receive my Spirit." At the conclusion of the sermon Rev. Waters desired that Dr. Coffey should raise the collection; he readily granted the request and urged the people to assist in this grand rally; after a special response to this call a collection of \$53 was raised making a grand total for the day \$76.79. This was an excellent showing for an August rally.

Rev. W. H. Holland of the Peoples' church assisted by a company of efficient young ladies and gentlemen is preparing to produce the beautiful cantata of Esther the last of September.

The children of class 19, Peoples' A. M. E. Zion Sunday-school of which Mrs. Mattie LePene is teacher went to Warwick Neck on Saturday August 24 to partake in the celebration of the birthday of their little classmate Willie Profit. The little party numbered seven, each on carrying a present to his mate. After spending a very enjoyable day they gathered some beautiful flowers and at 7 o'clock they returned to the city by trolley.

The marriage of Mr. Frank Dixon and Miss Sadie Perry occurred at the residence of Mrs. N. L. Guernsey on Wednesday, August 21st, Rev. C. C. Dunlap performing the ceremony. Mr. James Lofton acted as best man and Miss Talbot as bridesmaid. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon left the city for a short trip and on their return will reside in this city on Brook street.

END OF A PROMISING YOUNG LIFE.

No brighter boy, no more promising life, no better liked youth, by one and all, young and old the same, walked the thoroughfares of a community than Harry Huggs. Always of the one disposition, kind hearted, gentle mannered and obedient, he went in and out, to and fro from his mother's home to his work or to the Sunday School of which he was a devoted member and always exchanged the good wishes of those with whom he came in contact. But Harry has done his last act, no more will his pleasant smiles greet his companions or his voice mingle with those of his many close acquaintances. Little did Mrs. Sarah R. Huggs think when she bade her youngest son adieu as he smilingly left the gate on Tuesday morning August 21st, that never more on this side of the great beyond, would she again converse with the joy, the comfort of her earthly life. But ere the noon-day mark had been reached the lifeless form of Harry was found

bleeding on the hard floor beneath the treacherous elevator on which the young man had been working and to which he had fallen by some unknown unfortunate manner. The limp form was gently raised by kind hands and hopes of only a bad fall were entertained, but no signs of life remained, death came quickly. Harry was a victim of the moment.

When the sad news was spread about concerning the unfortunate affair it was received like a shock—as indeed it was and many expressions of grief were noticed as the story found its way to the ears of those who had known Harry and thought with bright anticipation what a useful life might be made of him as he merged into manhood.

On Friday afternoon at three o'clock the last sad rites of respect were observed at the Peoples' A. M. E. Zion church. Seldom has there been such an overwhelming assembly on a funeral occasion as gathered to take a last look at he who had but a few hours prior had been a robust specimen of youthful life, but who now lay cold in death. Rev. Holland, pastor of the church, acknowledged that it was one of the hardest tasks of ministerial career to find thoughts suitable or words fitted for this sad sudden occasion. Scarcely a dry eye was seen in the large congregation present and many a sob was audible on account of the bereavement which was manifested by kin folk and friend alike. Beautiful floral tributes were bestowed upon the casket as a final token of remembrance and respect of the large number of people who followed the deceased young man to his final resting place. He leaves to mourn his loss a mother, father and three older brothers.

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CHWAB'S \$35,000 PRIVATE CAR.

Designed and Ordered by his Confidential Man, Jos. L. Ray, Who is a Negro.

President Charles M. Schwab, of the United States Steel Company, popularly known as the billion dollar trust, arranged yesterday for the construction of a private car at the works of the Pullman company. The car is to be the most complete the Pullman company ever turned out, and is estimated to cost \$35,000. Work was begun yesterday morning on the drawings and specifications, and the plans will not be fully completed for at least two weeks.

The car will be ready for service by the first of December. It will be the first palace car ever owned by any of the heads of the big steel consolidation, and will be built expressly for the private convenience of Mr. Schwab and his family. All the arrangements for the construction of the car have been negotiated by Joseph L. Ray head of the information bureau of the Carnegie Steel works in Pittsburgh.

Vice President Brown of the Pullman company; said yesterday that, though the drawings and specifications were incomplete, the car would be the finest ever turned out by the company.

Mr. Ray, to whose care has been intrusted all of the details of the contract, is one of the most picturesque figures in the employ of the United States Steel company. Of the many thousand employs of the huge corporation perhaps he stand the closest to the president.

And Mr. Ray is a Negro. For ten years he has held one of the most important positions in the gift of the corporation, and as head of the information bureau in Pittsburgh, he has stood as the velvet buffer between Mr. Schwab and the public. Mr. Ray left last night for Pittsburg, and will return

to Chicago in ten days, when he expects to be able to look over and correct the plans for the car.

For the past two days Mr. Ray has been busy inspected the various models for the private palace cars in the offices of the Pullman company. After a thorough investigation of the plans of the cars now in the service of millionaires, he decided what Mr. Schwab wanted was something a trifle superior to and more complete than any yet made. The usual cost for a palace car is, roughly speaking \$18,000. Mr. Ray was empowered to name double that sum, or even more, provided the car was constructed just exactly like Mr. Schwab desired. No set price has been set as yet, but Mr. Ray said yesterday that the cost would be at least \$35,000.

"I had carte blanche orders from Mr. Schwab to spare no expense," said Mr. Ray, "and as I know exactly what Mr. Schwab's desires are in the matter, I think I shall be able to satisfy him."

The car will be regulation length seventy feet, and will contain two state rooms, a dressing room, a dining room, a bath room and a kitchen. An observation room will be made entirely of plate glass. Onyx stone will be used largely for the floor and walls, and the wood will be chosen carefully. A piano will be one of the principal features.

Mr. Ray was born in Charlottesville, Va., and is a graduate of Howard University, Washington, D. C. He is 36 years old.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

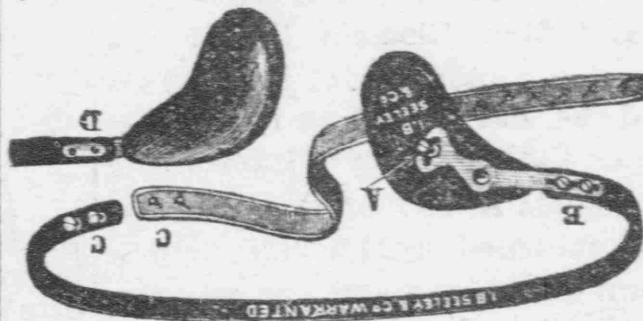
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